Application Serial No. 10/645,050

Amendment A

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REMARKS

Applicants deeply appreciate the indication that Claims 14-18 are allowed.

Claim Objections:

Claim 11 was objected to for reciting: "...reshaping a voltage waveform of the

electrostatic precipitator, wherein spark current or attenuating normal corona currents are **not**

decreased;...". Claim 11 is now amended to recite: "...reshaping a voltage waveform of the

electrostatic precipitator, wherein high frequency spark current is decreased without

significant attenuation of normal corona currents;...". Support for this amendment is found

on Page 12, Lines 7-11 of Applicants' Specification, which recites: "Since the spiral wound

filter capacitor 62 is electrically connected in parallel to the plurality of corona electrodes 70 for

the electrostatic precipitator 66, the low frequency corona current is provided while limiting the

high frequency current created by sparking. This is an advantage over the prior art since there

is little or no attenuation of the normal corona current." Therefore, it is respectfully believed

that no new matter has been added and that the objection to Claim 11 is overcome as well as any

objection to Claim 12 and Claim 13, which depend thereto.

Double Patenting:

Claims 1-9 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double

patenting in relation to U.S. Patent No. 6,611,440. A terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37

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C.F.R. Section 1.321 (c) is hereby provided. Therefore, it is respectfully believed that this

rejection is overcome and Claims 1-9 are in condition for allowance.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. Section 101:

Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 101 as claiming the same invention as

U.S. Patent No. 6,611,440. This Claim is now cancelled and it is respectfully believed this

rejection is rendered moot.

Therefore, it is now believed that all of the pending Claims 1-9 and 11-18 in the present

application are in condition for allowance. Favorable action and allowance of the Claims is

therefore respectfully requested. If any issue regarding the allowability of any of the pending

Claims in the present application could be readily resolved, or if other action could be taken to

further advance this application such as an Examiner's amendment, or if the Examiner should

have any questions regarding the present amendment, it is respectfully requested that the

Examiner please telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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